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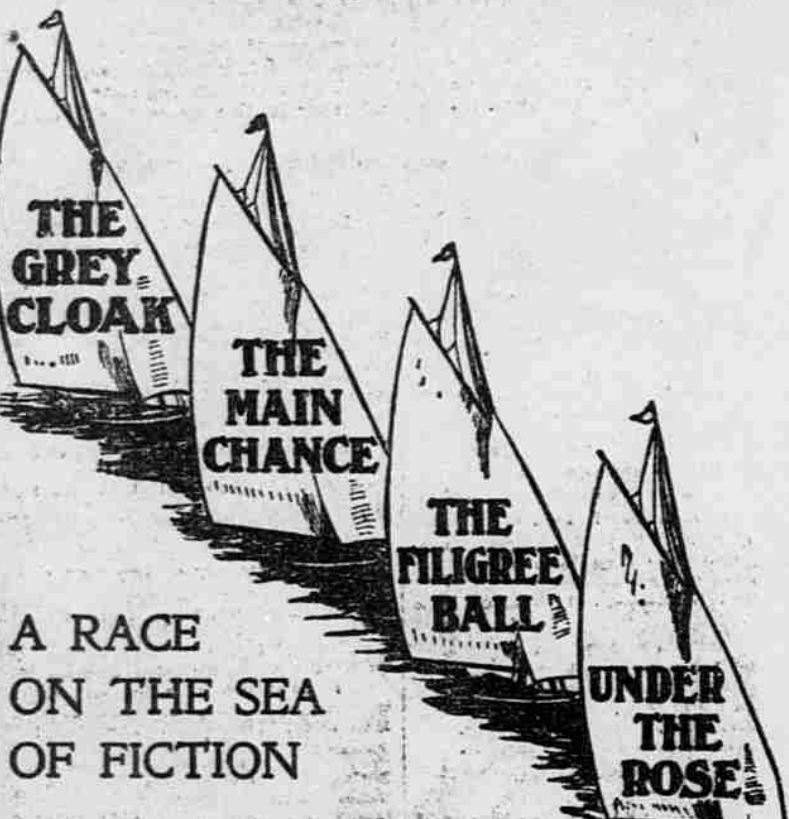
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UPON THE TITLE PAGE OF Rosa Nouchette Carey's new book, which is "A Passage Perilous," the quotation, "A passage per-ils makes a port pleasant," should not be understood as meaning the reader's pas-sage through its pages and his pleasur-able sensations upon reaching the end; for the reader's passage is rather free from violent excitements, storms and the like. The perils referred to are in the nature of domestic squalls, and the pas-sage is that of a young man and his wife. At the end, having survived their turbu-lent little misunderstandings, she turns and kisses "the hand that still rested on her shoulder." And she whispers: "Oh, Jack, I am so thankful and happy! We have had our Passage Perilous; but I have you safe now," etc. And his an-swer echoes her words. The book will delight Miss Carey's following. Published by Lip-pincott.

"JOHN BURT" AND OTHER NEW BOOKS. "John Burt," just from the press of Drexel Biddle, adds to Frederick Upham Adams' reputation as a stirring writer. "John Burt" is a spirited, moving drama, in which the heart interest is woven about the stock ticker. The hero is a powerful financier, modeled after living types, and the heroine is a shining society figure, the daughter of a wealthy banker. She is, however, rather in the rapid world than the slow world of the stock market, and a head by no means turned. Her true nobility of character is rather developed than stunted by her environment. There are several other attractive characters in the story, the chief, John Burt and Jim Blake, and old Grandfather Burr, who has a touch of reality. Many of the situations are dramatic to the point of blood and thunder. Pistol play parts in one or two scenes. To those who like plenty of action, with an occasional thrill, the book may be recommended without misgivings. Henry Taylor's illustrations are praise-worthy.

Upton Sinclair knew what he was about when he penned his new book, a novel, "Princess Hagen" is a most "phantastic" phantasm. Sinclair was not satisfied with Wagner's story of the Nibelungs, so he decided to put on some extra touches. Princess Hagen is a grandson of Alberich, King of the Nibelungs, and is heir to the throne. The Princess's instincts and tradi-tions lead him to believe that the world swings about on gold. He observes that the Nibelungs, down in the bowels of the earth, merely mining and piling up gold, and that the world above them, which is none of its potency. Upon his com-mence to enjoy the throne it is his ambition to rule and enjoy the world as it is. He is a being fantastic, if not positive, a meta-physics. The point of the book is rather meta-physics, the story is well told, save for the last part of it as it is filled in by alleged "newspaper stories." Sinclair could never hold a job on the dailies he sneers at and writes such trash as is injected into his story. The publisher is L. C. Page & Co., Boston.

Margaret Horton Potter has in "The Castle of Twilight" told a story of the lives of the women of feudal days, the story of a castle, high vaulted, massively furnished, heavy tapestried, and peopled with gentle women; a story of also the wars and the women thereof; a story of the action of the benefits from the experi-ence of the times, such as Socrates and Alcibiades, obtain a degree of naturalness and subtlety by her environment. The romance," which its publishers insist upon calling it "Gorgo" is far and away above the average both as to matter and as to manner. Professor Gaines has an impres-sive purity and clarity of style and a pro-nounced descriptive faculty. The book is fetchingly illustrated. Published by Loth-rop.

Judge Miller Appointed. Springfield, Ill., Sept. 25.—Governor Yates to-day announced the appointment of Judge Ames Miller of Hillsboro as a member of the Voting Machine Com-mission, authorized by the last General Assembly. The duty of the commission is to make a study of voting machines, with a view to their adoption in this State. It is to report its conclusions to the Governor, who, in turn, will present the matter to the next Assembly.

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Mrs. Mary J. Holmes's thirty-third novel is entitled "The Merivale Banks," being a story of financial institutions, and not of river banks, as some imaginative reader might suppose. The author of "Ed-ey's Mistake," "Bessie's Fortune," "The Tracy Diamonds," "English Orphans," "Homestead on Hillside," "Edith's Tale," "Marion Grey," "Rose Mather," "Edna Browning," and twenty-four others—re-mem-ber the number, twenty-four—has given us in "The Merivale Banks" a tale of the stern, haughty rich man, his vain and handsome, and, of course, unprin-cipled son, and a pure, poor, sweet, simple girl. To say that this girl "Louise" is beautiful is to put it mildly. How futile is English when put to the task of de-scribing one of these Louises, Roses, Bes-sies, or Marion's! Oh, hopelessness of mere words! Herbert—that is the rich banker's son—naturally proves to be a chump; and Louise, ultimately, comes to look at him scornfully out of her lustrous brown eyes. Herbert's cousin Fred, who is a "manly" fellow, loves Louise as she deserves to be loved, and he comes to her in her dark hour and marries her. The book is an- nounced to be "full of humor and pathos." In a sense the announcement is true. Pub-lished by Dillingham Company.

An historical romance by Roland Bur-nham Molineux is entitled "The Vice Ad-miral of the Blue." It deals with Lord Nelson's regatta devotion to Lady Hamilton—regrettable enough in itself, but vastly more regrettable as affording a foundation for this historical novel. "Frankly," the thing is a punning, when the author is at his best, and the story is termed Lord Nelson's "Vice" Admiral. Dillingham Company, publishers.

Were it not for the fact that Margaret Sidney occupied the field long before the advent of Alice Caldwell Hegan, as a sketcher of homely humorous people and things one might easily fall into the mis-take of supposing that Miss Sidney's new book, "Sally, Mrs. Tubbs," had been in-spired by the success of "Wings of Mary," the cabbage patch and "Loving Mary." For "Sally, Mrs. Tubbs" is a bit on the Wags order, being angular and bony physique, having a deal of homely philoso-phy and a great quantity of optimism. But to suppose that the author is a fair to one writer nor to the other, "Sally, Mrs. Tubbs" is a little more than a story, it is a study of the marriage of the old maid waterwoman, and it treats inciden-tally of the life of some of the more of her young relations, people whose clothes she "dips up."

W. Clark Russell, author of numberless sea stories, has just published another, "The Captain's Wife." As a novel, it is poorly constructed, but as is usual in Mr. Russell's books, a true glimpse is given of a sailor's life on a sailing vessel, and the story reeks with the dampness and salt of the sea. Published by L. C. Page & Co.

After Reading a Popular Novel.

Note—Any one supplying the correct answers to these questions will be given a trip to the North Pole.

Why did the town nestle among the hills?

Why did she feel a mantling blush steal over her cheeks?

Why did it happen that a strange sense of unrest swept over him?

What made him kick the ashes from his cigarette?

Why did he look at her with a stare?

Why did he seem to her as if all the life had gone out of her young life?

Why did the house stiffer than death that night?

Why was she the life of the whole gather-ing when her heart told her that all was lost?

Why did the dog look up at that mo-ment and wag his tail, as if he too un-derstood?

What made her look back on that day at the rest of her life?

Why was there a long pause?

Why were her hands so nerveless when she held the telegram drop?

What made her suspect that he had been drinking?

Why did she clutch the photograph so wildly?

What made her feel intuitively?

Why did her voice have a ring of tri-umph as she spoke?

Why was her face, though pale, so radiantly beautiful?

And why did the organ peal?—Tom Mas-son in Life.

education is builded upon a foundation of hard work, aided by a memory which never forgets the lessons of the past. It absorbs the vocabulary of every book read with the greatest thoroughness. Quiet with a great nature, courteous and unassuming, she is a woman whose popu-larity in a wide circle.

W. M. Thackeray's friendship with the Baxters' family of New York was one of the most interesting of the great novel-ist's friendships. His letters to the Bax- ters are to be seen in the light of the com-ing year. They cover both visits of Thack- eray to America, and they reflect his opi-nions upon all sorts and kinds of Ameri-can topics, with all the author's frank-ness, vivacity and charm.

Nearly every one who owns a home will be interested in the volume entitled "The Care of a House." Mr. T. M. Clark describes his book as a volume of sug-gestions to householders, housekeepers, for a good deal more than 1,000 miles, the economical and efficient care of dwell-ing-houses. The book consists in chapters on the care of the house, the woodwork, troubles with plumbing and the remedy, all sorts of difficulties that may arise in the house, such as, chim-neys, fireplaces, gas fixtures and gas pipes. Mr. Clark begins his book with a brief chapter showing "How a House is Built," and closes with one of general ad-vise on "Keeping a House in Repair."

Stewart Edward White has too much of the natural-born frontiersman's blood in him to be able to stand crowded coun-tries like New York for any length of time. All last summer Mr. White, with a few other men as hardy and as ready for a good deal more than 1,000 miles, the backbones of the Sierra Nevada, through forested and over trailless ranges, to the foot of the Sierras, and then on to the Yosemite Valley and went southward, com-ing out at the foot of the Sierras, and the time far above an altitude of 10,000 feet. Mr. White declares that the beauty of the inner valleys of the Sierras beggar description; that the valleys into which he and his companions went were so mag-nificent as to make the famed Yosemite pale into insignificance.

Mr. White returns to the Pacific coast to engage in wild-bear hunting. On sev-eral uninhabited islands off the California coast wild bears are to be found, very wild and in large numbers. Mr. White says that he does not know very much about wild-bear hunting now, but he ex-pects to know enough about it when he gets back to write a text-book on the sub-ject. At the same time he says that the bear has been properly cornered by the dogs the hunter is supposed to go in with a knife and give the coup de grace him-self. He thinks that promises excitement.

Books Received. "Cognitions of a Crank at Three Score Years and Ten." By Septimus Winner. Drexel Bid-die, Philadelphia, publisher.

"The Edge of Things." By Ella W. Peattie. Published by Fleming H. Revell Co., Chicago.

"John Burt." By Frederick Upham Adams. Published by Drexel Biddle.

"The Congressman's Wife: A Story of Amer-ican Politics." By John D. Barry. Illustrated by Rollin Kirby. The Smart Set Publishing Co., New York, Price, \$1.50.

"A Sequence in Hearts." By Mary Moss. Pub-lished by J. B. Lippincott Co., Philadelphia, Price, \$1.50.

"Passage Perilous." By Rosa Nouchette Carey. Published by J. B. Lippincott Co., Phila-delphia, Price, \$1.50.

"The Little Colonel at Board-School." By An-nie Fellows Johnston. Illustrated by E. F. Bon-sall. Published by L. C. Page & Co., Boston, Price, \$1.25.

"The Great Scoop." By Molly Elliot Seawell. Illustrated by W. F. Stecher. Published by L. C. Page & Co., Boston, Price, \$1.50.

"How to Beat the Game." By Garrett Brown. Illustrated by W. F. Stecher. Published by L. C. Page & Co., Boston, Price, \$1.50.

"The Third Degree." By Charles Ross Jack-son. Published by G. W. Dillingham Co., New York, Price, \$1.50.

"The Merivale Banks." By Mary J. Holmes. Published by G. W. Dillingham Co., New York, Price, \$1.50.

"The Vice Admiral of the Blue: A Biograph-ical Romance." By Roland Burnham Molineux. Illustrated by Ross and Margaret Kinney. Published by G. W. Dillingham Co., New York, Price, \$1.50.

"Sally, Mrs. Tubbs." By Linn B. Porter. Illus-trated by Louis F. Grant. Published by G. W. Dillingham Co., New York, Price, \$1.50.

"Our Country's Readers." Books 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5. By Leonard Lemmon. The Southern Pub-lishing Co., New York, Price, \$1.50.

"A Calendar of John Paul Jones's Manu-scripts in the Library of Congress." Compiled under the direction of Charles Henry Lincoln. Published by the Government Printing Office.

"List of Lincolniana in the Library of Congress." By George Thomas Ritchie. Wash-ington: Government Printing Office, 1902.

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